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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:
Sobek et al.

Application No.: 09/803,165

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For: *Mutant B-Type Polymerases
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2002, be extended for a period of 3 months from September 5, 2002 to and including December 5, 2002.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$920.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 1803-0280-999). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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